

Weekly Volunteer Update

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433.



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK: ***"I can accept failure, everyone fails at something. But I can't accept not trying."***
~ Michael Jordan

Red Cross Book Fair – Oct. 2-7

The American Red Cross needs volunteers to set up and staff their 25th Annual Book Fair from October 2-7. This HUGE event, held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds, requires a crew of helpers from Sept. 26 through Oct. 9 to unload boxes of books (80,000!), LPs, tapes, DVDs, games and puzzles, to set up tables and bookcases, to straighten and provide customer assistance, and then to tear-down. This is a perfect opportunity for employee and business groups, students, clubs, young and old alike to pitch in for the Red Cross. Proceeds fund local disaster relief, service to US armed forces and their families and emergency preparedness. Minimum age is 18. Please contact June Taylor at 332-7292 or jtaylor@monroe-redcross.org (www.monroe-redcross.org).

Basic Mediation Training – Sept. 13, 14, 20, 21

The Community Justice and Mediation Center is seeking a few good neighbors interested in constructive conflict resolution, restorative justice, and the mediation process. Participants will also gain listening and facilitation skills. Interested individuals are invited to attend a 32-Hour "Basic Mediation Training" Workshop on September 13, 14, 20 & 21 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Indiana University School of Law. Participants must pre-register and commit to attending all training dates. Tuition for the training is \$200; a sliding scale is considered when applicable and scholarships are available. Minimum age is 21. Please contact Ed Greenebaum at cjam@bloomington.in.us or (812)336-8677 (Registration forms available at www.cjam.org).

Lakota Language Materials Preparation – Sept. 22

The Lakota Language Consortium needs help preparing school materials on Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Volunteers will laminate flashcards for Lakota teachers in this exciting program, as well as do other basic office tasks. You may even learn a little of the language as you laminate! If you're interested in history and cultural preservation, this is a great opportunity for you! Minimum age is 21. Please contact Heike Meya at hmeya@lakhota.org or (812)340-3518 (www.lakhota.org).

Math and English Tutors

Math and English tutors are wanted to go weekly to either Bloomington North or Bloomington South High Schools through Math Matters, a program of the IU School of Education. Days and times vary depending on the school. Volunteers must be current college students majoring in either a math, science, or English based field of study. Access to a vehicle is a plus, but not necessary as bus lines run past both high schools. Please contact Diana Schmalzreid at dschmalz@indiana.edu (www.indianacampuscompact.org/Default.aspx?tabid=136).

Web Designer / Manager

A web designer/manager is needed for this small, student-centered public high school. With an enrollment of about 100, it is a well-loved "school of choice" - students who are enrolled have done so by choice. The Web Designer / Manager should be at least 25 years old and able to commit a few hours per week on development and maintenance of the site. Please contact Chuck Holloway at cholloway@mccsc.edu or 330-7837 (www.aurora.mccsc.edu).

Community Wish List – *Grant a wish for this community organization!*

Deep Roots A non-profit animal sanctuary located outside of Spencer. To grant a wish for this organization contact Chris Lynch at chris@deeprootssanctuary.org or (812)929-9647 (www.deeprootssanctuary.org).

WISHES: drywall, biodegradable litter, cat toys, high quality cat food, carrying crates, computers, computer desk chairs, gardening tools, projector, fencing (panel or chain link), generator, straw bales, timothy hay, solar panels, chicken feed

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